

The School Story

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Reading Level:

Points:

1. What gave Natalie the idea to write a school story?
 - a. Her mom's publishing company said they needed more school stories.
 - b. Her teacher gave the whole class the assignment of writing a school story.
 - c. Her best friend talked Natalie into writing the story.
 - d. Natalie read an advertisement that was asking for school stories.
2. Why did Zoe want Natalie to research Theodor Geisel?
 - a. Because he wrote under a pseudonym (Dr. Seuss)
 - b. Because he was famous for writing school stories
 - c. Because he was the owner of a large publishing company
 - d. Because he was a famous literary agent
3. What did Natalie choose as her pseudonym?
 - a. Cassandra Day
 - b. Sandra Clutch
 - c. Zee-Zee Raceman
 - d. Letha Springfield
4. What's a slush pile?
 - a. A pile of manuscripts sent in by authors who didn't ask to submit a story
 - b. A pile of books that have been published but didn't sell well
 - c. A mixture of mud, salt, and ice pushed to the side of the road
 - d. A pile of newspapers that haven't been read yet
5. Who did Natalie and Zoe choose to be the advisor of their club?
 - a. Ms. Clayton
 - b. Letha Springfield
 - c. Natalie's mom
 - d. Sherry Clutch
6. How did Zoe help Natalie get her manuscript published?
 - a. She set up her own business and became Natalie's agent.
 - b. She published the book herself.
 - c. She typed Natalie's book so that it would look more professional.
 - d. She helped her rewrite the ending of the book to make it more interesting.

7. What happened when Letha read the manuscript?
 - a. She thought it was so good she wanted to become the editor.
 - b. She thought it was terrible and rejected it.
 - c. She figured out that the author was Natalie and told Hannah.
 - d. She decided that Hannah should be the editor since she found it.

8. Who ended up being the editor for Natalie's book?
 - a. Natalie's mom
 - b. Letha Springfield
 - c. Tom Morton
 - d. Laura Clayton

9. Who was responsible for the TV news being at the publishing party?
 - a. Zoe
 - b. Letha
 - c. Hannah
 - d. Ms. Clayton

10. Why did Zoe decide to involve her dad in the project?
 - a. She needed legal advice about signing the contract.
 - b. She needed money to open her business.
 - c. She felt that they needed adults to help them make decisions.
 - d. She wanted to use the project as a way of spending time with her dad.